## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SCHOOLS.

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that hot classroom
- 2 temperatures in Hawaii's public schools can adversely affect
- 3 students by making them drowsy, irritable, and unmotivated.
- 4 Hawaii's overheated classrooms can also cause students to suffer
- 5 headaches, nausea, and heat rashes.
- 6 The legislature further finds that classroom temperatures
- 7 even over eighty degrees can lead to students' decreased
- 8 concentration and decreased performance on testing.
- 9 The legislature finds that heat abatement in Hawaii's
- 10 public schools is becoming a necessity for students to learn and
- 11 enjoy their time in school. During the fall of 2017, the State
- 12 fulfilled its promise to install air conditioning in more than
- 13 one thousand classrooms in eighty-eight public schools across
- 14 five islands. However, there continues to be a need to install
- 15 air conditioning in public school classrooms because
- 16 approximately, 5,736 permanent classrooms and six hundred

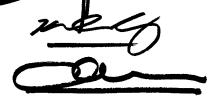
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- 1 thirty-eight portable classrooms remain without air conditioning
- 2 units.
- 3 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for the
- 4 installation of air conditioning in permanent classrooms and
- 5 portable classrooms in Hawaii's public schools that have not
- 6 received air conditioning units; provided that the school
- 7 principal designates the installation of air conditioning units
- 8 as the school's top priority.
- 9 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
- 11 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 to install
- 12 air conditioning in permanent classrooms and portable classrooms
- 13 in Hawaii public schools that have not received air conditioning
- 14 units; provided that the school principal designates the
- 15 installation of air conditioning units as the school's top
- 16 priority.
- 17 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 18 education for the purposes of this Act.
- 19 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.

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### Report Title:

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### Description:

Appropriates funds to the Department of Education to install air conditioning in public schools that prioritize the project.

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